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W.&M. PRIORITIES

William and Mary Has Blazed Way
In Education Since the Charter
Was Granted in 1693

The priorities of our College have been many and we find it appropriate to list some of its best known ones. They are taken from the tablets in the hall of the Main Building, and while there may be many who have seen and read them, it is probable that there are a number who have neither read nor seen them, and the list is given accordingly.

SOME OF THE PRIORITIES

Chartered, February 8, 1693, by King William and Queen Mary of England.

First college in the United States in its antecedents which go back to the college proposed at Henrico in 1619, and second to Harvard University in actual operation.

First American college to receive its charter from the Crown under the Seal of the Privy Council, hence known as Their Majesties' Royal College of William and Mary.

First, and only college in the world to receive a coat-of-arms from the College of Heralds, in 1694.

First college to have a full faculty, consisting of a President, six Professors, usher and writing master, 1729.

First college in the United States to confer medallie prizes, which were the medals first offered in 1771 by Lord Botetourt.

First to establish an inter-collegiate fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa, December 5, 1776.

First college to have the Elective System of Study, 1779.

First to inaugurate the Honor System, 1779.

First college in America to become a university, 1779.

First to have a school of Modern Languages, 1779.

First American college to have a school of Municipal Law, 1779.

First to teach Political Economy, 1784.

First to have a School of History, 1803.

The old time twirler, "Chief" Garnett passed through Williamsburg Sunday but was unable to stop off. Those who remember the "Chief" know of his prowess with the pill and his ability to bring the Indians a championship during his reign in office.

QUINT OPENS SEASON WITH DEFEATS

Varsity Team Meets Strong Opposition on its State Tour—Succumbs to Randolph-Macon's Fierce attack in Initial Championship Contest of the Season by 35-12 Score

The basketball team, comprising eight men, Coach Geddy and Manager Lewter, left Williamsburg last Sunday a week ago on its annual basketball trip. The team travelled until three o'clock Monday morning when they arrived in Staunton and managed to get four hours of sleep. It was necessary to catch the train for Lexington at seven o'clock and that evening they met V. M. I. thoroughly tired out, and were the recipients of the short end of a 66-6 score.

The next game was with Washington and Lee and it was here that our team put up its best fight, although it was the best team encountered on the trip. Fentress fought throughout the entire game, and was in the fray until the last whistle blew. Graham and Fain did stellar work for Washington and Lee.

The team left Lexington Wednesday at 8 a. m. and had to remain over in Buena Vista until nearly four o'clock, when they left for Salem to meet Roanoke College, arriving there at 7.30 thoroughly worn out and with but a half an hour before the time of the game. Roanoke had quite an easy time with our team as they were completely exhausted.

The varsity should not be discouraged with the results of this trip, but should realize the hardships with which coach Geddy started out the season.

The position of center has been a source of worry from the very first and it continues to be a matter of uncertainty with the material on hand.

THE MARYS

Any one often at Tyler Hall just before or after Christmas would have heard a general resolution for more studying during the second term. If time spent at the Library counts, these resolutions must be having some effect, but reports are anticipated with a flutter of excitement. A's are much longed for and desired articles.

The basketball team has been having some very beneficial practices, and a game or series of games, will be announced in the near future. Players have changed places, but the Orange and Black are still the contending teams.

In a fast and exciting contest last Saturday night in the local gymnasium the varsity was smothered by the strong Randolph-Macon quint in the initial championship game of the season by the score of 35-12. Horner, forward for the visitors, played a stellar game throughout the contest. The visitors outplayed the local team in every department and the result of the contest from the first few minutes of play was never in doubt.

To account for this decisive defeat of the varsity in the opening game, we must first take in consideration the extreme lightness in weight of the Indian quint. Then the lack of a known quantity at the center position around which the team could work was another self-evident reason of the defeat. Again, the inability to pass and get the ball in a position to shoot was another of the contributing causes of defeat.

But with these early defeats the student body shouldn't allow itself to become disheartened at this failure of form in the opening clash of the championship race. The summary of the box score follows:

Indians	Jackets
BrooksL. F.....	Scott
HudsonR. F.....	Horner
MarshallC.....	Thomas
FentressL. G.....	Oast
MurphyR. G.....	Smoot
Goals from field—Horner 8, Thomas 4, Scott 2, Smoot, Brooks, Hudson Marshall. Goals from foul—Pierce 4, Hudson 2, Smoot 3, Horner 2. Substitutions—Pierce for Marshall. Referee—Warren.	

Tennis, volley ball and field hockey are subjects of discussion and will be part of our programme when our new directress comes. But when is the new directress coming? Probably by the twentieth, certainly before the first of March. Then our circle will be complete again.

Our Forum has undertaken the "Study Program" with Ruth Conkey as leader. We expect the meetings to prove a benefit and pleasure.

We are glad to appear for the first time in this college publication and are eagerly waiting to do our part in making it a success.

A. B. Clark was in Richmond last week visiting friends.

W. & M. CHAPEL

Richmond Alumni Have Taken The Task Upon Themselves to Improve Ancient Chapel

Some weeks ago the annual meeting of the Richmond chapter of the General Alumni Association of the College of William and Mary was held at the Business Men's Club with about fifty members in attendance. At this meeting a movement was set on foot to restore the ancient chapel of the college as a memorial to those alumni of the institution who have served their country in the world war. This happy thought, which was received with enthusiasm by the members present and which will result in substantial expression of the love of the old students for their alma mater, was suggested by William G. Stanard. A considerable sum of money to be devoted to this purpose was quickly subscribed and a committee was appointed to carry on the work of soliciting subscriptions with power, in conjunction with the board of visitors, to see that the work is quickly done. This committee consists of Jackson Davis, William G. Stanard, Arthur D. Wright, Oscar L. Shewmake, A. P. S. Robinson and Dr. P. D. Lipscomb.

This chapel, which it is proposed to restore, is a building rich in historic association. It was erected immediately following the foundation of the college in 1693, and was designed by Sir Christopher Wren, then royal architect to the British crown, and shows in its perfect lines and proportions the work of a master hand. It is built of old glazed brick of the kind referred to in the old records as "fair English brick" and is in excellent condition. In this chapel the House of Burgesses of Virginia met in the time that elapsed between the removal of the colonial government from Jamestown to Williamsburg and the erection of the capitol building at the eastern end of Duke of Gloucester street.

In the crept beneath its floor lie buried the remains of many celebrated characters of colonial days, including those of Lord Botetourt, governor of the colony, and Sir John Randolph. In this chapel worshipped Thomas Jefferson, John Marshall, James Monroe, Winfield Scott, John Tyler and other students of the college who afterwards distinguished themselves in the service of their state and nation.

Through the main college building has been more than once swept by fire, by what seems to have been the intervention of a kindly Providence, the

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A question that is most vital to the interest of each student at present is the consideration and care he gives to the investment of his time. School life is all too often a fight against time. Many students find it possible to realize only a small portion of the program they had hoped to carry into action. Many a pleasure has been sacrificed because of time limitations; and with the schedule of classes running at high pressure in order to cover in twelve weeks the work usually outlined for a whole semester, with an exceptionally attractive list of extra-curricular activities, all of them offering valuable opportunities and each competing for a part of the student's attention, the problem of a wise distribution of time becomes doubly perplexing and at the same time doubly important.

College life is in many ways the richest period in the life of the individual. In its environment possibilities for human development are almost unlimited.

Granted that the student owes his first obligations to his class room work, the ambitious student will see to it that he may still have ample time to take an active part in some of the numerous other activities of the college. Opportunities lie before you, and the advantages are obvious.

The College periodicals plead for your contributions. The Y. M. C. A. is anxious to share its benefits with you. Furthermore, very few can afford to miss the course in World Relations conducted by its leaders. The Library and debating societies with their enviable records for achievements are open to all. The various forms of athletics answer the need for recreation and physical development.

To be a recognized leader in at least one of these phases of College life should be the ambition of every live, forward-looking student. It is only through active participation in these activities that students feel the pulse of college life and get a genuine thrill of college spirit.

But there is still another obligation that the student cannot afford to

overlook. It is his social contact with his fellow students. The all-around student will consciously seek an intimate acquaintance with his co-workers. He will seek to extend his social relations, not only because he may thereby gain a more intimate knowledge of human nature, but because he also owes something to the social group.

LITERARY SOCIETIES

So far this year, we have heard little about our literary society work. Few students up to this writing have seemed inclined to engage in the thrills of such a worthy undertaking. Both societies are fighting for existence. It is up to each and every student to help such a good cause not as mere charity, but as a gift to his own faculties. Show me an industrious and deserving student, who would not take advantage of such an opportunity in whose opportune moments the expression of one's own ideas and thoughts may be indulged in. Think seriously for a moment about this matter, and ask yourself, "am I not losing from a financial standpoint, when I purposely avoid a literary society hall?" Answer it fairly and your solution will be in the affirmative. Then why not let the past be the past and start afresh; bring yourself to a resolve and drop in one of the society halls the next meeting night; hear what they have to say for themselves; and then decide for yourself.

VESPER SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

As in years past, the Y. M. C. A. will begin its Vesper Services with quite a distinguished speaker as orator of the evening. Due to unsettled conditions, the organization has found it very difficult to secure any suitable man for the opening service; this has undoubtedly delayed matters. This Sunday evening Mr. Freeman, of Richmond, a distinguished newspaper editor, will deliver the address of the day. Anyone who reads Mr. Freeman's editorials in the News Leader will vouch for his broad views on the present great issues confronting the world. Every student interested in the world-problems of today will find it worth his while to make a special effort to hear so talented a speaker. Watch the Bulletin for further notice.

W. & M. BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Mr. J. C. Lewter, manager of the basketball team, announces the following schedule for the William and Mary team. Several other games are pending:

Jan. 27—W. & M. vs. V. M. I. at Lexington.
Jan. 28—W. & M. vs. W & L. at Lexington.
Jan. 29—W. & M. vs. Roanoke College, at Salem.
Feb. 1—W. & M. vs. R. M. C. at home.
Feb. 8—W. & M. vs. R. C. at Richmond.
Feb. 12—W. & M. vs. H.-S. at Hampden-Sidney.
Feb. 15—W. & M. vs. R. C. at home.
Feb. 19—W. & M. vs. R. M. C. at Ashland.
Feb. 22—W. & M. vs. H.-S. at home.

W. & M. CHAPEL

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chapel has escaped unscathed. It is now in use, but its interior is in bad condition. The purpose of the alumni is to make it a thing of beauty, a fitting memorial to those young men who have gone from its walls to serve their county, several of whom have made the supreme sacrifice in France and elsewhere for the maintenance of those ideals of free government for which William and Mary has stood for nearly three centuries. It is understood that the work will be completed next summer and that appropriate ceremonies will be held at the time of presentation when the college commences its fall session.

A. L. Lassiter spent the last weekend in Portsmouth on extended business.

H. T. Harrison spent the last weekend in Richmond as the guest of his sister.

Willie Saunders, student here during the S. A. T. C., spent Sunday on the Campus.

L. W. Simmons spent part of last week in Newport News in behalf of The Flat Hat.

T. P. Peyton, Jr. has just returned from his home in Charlottesville, where he spent a few days with his family.

Sergt. J. D. Stover, a former student, has received his discharge from the army and is expected to return to college in a few days.

The leaders of the Y. M. C. A. study course meet every Sunday night at Prof. Clark's residence to discuss the topic for the next meeting of the study course.

Mr. Elliott has been called to Lynchburg on account of the death of his sister. The student body wishes to express its sympathies to the bereaved for his loss.

The Philomathean Literary Society gave a very interesting program last night. The feature of the program was the debate. More students should become interested in this important phase of college life.

The varsity meets the Medicoes tonight. The "Docs." have some team this year and showed it when they snowed Richmond College under the other night by a heavy score. What's the reason? Well, the doctors have "Polly" Stryker, famous Indian guard of championship days, and Murry, captain and star forward of last year's William and Mary team, to account for the happening.

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THE COLLEGE BUTTERFLY

This is no new genus of the phylum
"Lepidoptera" that I am about to de-
scribe. He was classified before the
days of the great Linneaus. His
habitat is well known, but like any
other member of this phylum he is al-
ways showing great originality in his
method of adaptation to his environ-
ment.

As before stated his habitat is well
known, college campuses, from Maine
to California, on some he is a pest of
greater concern than the gypsy
moth. To the present time there is
only one campus that has found a way
of riding themselves from this ever
present infection and that campus is
not in Virginia.

The main characteristics of this
creature are that he flits, continually
flits, in the classroom on borrowed
wings, and on the campus on his own.
He flits in and out of the dormitories,

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in this room and that, leaving a trail of nicotine from his antennae. Dances are a great congregating place for the College Butterfly, as well, as any or in fact any other place where wings and not brains are required. On the whole the College Butterfly particularly shuns the class room; there we have the pure flame of knowledge, which burns his wings, and it is only those who are so fortunate as to enter there on the before mentioned borrowed wings that he is spared those of his own to flit, flit, flit. Generally speaking, this butterfly never advances beyond the freshman stage, for rare is the specimen that can brave the class room with even the protection of borrowed wings for more than a season.

The College of William and Mary has suffered in times past and in times present from this pest. Even now we can see them flitting from Dorm to Dorm, congregating to disport themselves in that of presidential nomenclature; this pest also finds congenial company with things German. In spring they congregate in groups, for the College Butterfly is a social animal.

As before mentioned, these insects are social animals, they swarm. Certain choice portions of the Attic Alphabet are of great anthropological force in holding them together.

At stated times each year these flitters display their flitting abilities by inviting the lady flitters, who by the way adorn themselves in their wings for the most part, and they both flit together in a formal manner to the notes of the modern Sirens, but now nomenclated as "Jazzarines," in the Palace of Exercises or perhaps, if the conditions are right in the Palace of Eats. It is here that our College Butterfly manifests a peculiar trait, for if he is true to the tribe, or rather genus, he will stimulate his wings with that alcoholic nectar obtained from that rose at great price called in seed catalogs, the Rosae Billipus.

There is but one method for destroying the College Butterfly, he knows it and we know it; that is the flame of knowledge. He may avoid it for a time and perhaps in the language of the genus this is taken to be a measure of his College success, but sooner or later the flames will burn those wings and he will either fall helpless to be dusted from the Campus as so much rubbish or else he will go through a chrysalis period of regeneration to come out the useful animal that God intended him to be and an honor to the institution that trasformed him.

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